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WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1897.
REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
(Election June 7.)

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
(Three to elect—Election June 7.)
W. G. COCHRAN, of Moultrie.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Mason.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 12.—Unsettled, but gen-
erally fair tonight and Thursday; slight-
ly cooler tonight; fresh westerly winds.

Lorimer's Spite Work.

The Chicago Tribune: The Tribune
has explained how Lorimer and Hertz,
diakling the Twelfth ward Republicans
because of the spirit of independence they
display, propose to distribute that ward
among three senatorial districts. A glance
at the Cook county senatorial apportion-
ment devised by the congressman and the
state treasurer will show that it is pro-
posed to trisect another ward—the Sixth.
It is to be done as follows:

Fourth—The Twenty-ninth and Thirti-
eth wards and that part of the Sixth ward
lying west of the South fork of the
south branch of the Chicago river in Chi-
cago.

Fifth—The Fourth and Thirty-second
wards and that part of the Sixth ward ly-
ing south of the center line of Thirty-first
street and east of the south fork of the
south branch of the Chicago river in Chi-
cago.

Ninth—The Seventh and Eighth wards
and that part of the Sixth ward lying
north of the center line of Thirty-first
street and east of the south fork of the
south branch of the Chicago river in Chi-
cago.

The Sixth is a heavily Democratic
ward. Only five of its twenty-nine pre-
cincts gave McKinley a majority last fall.
So there is not the same reason why Re-
publicans should feel sore over its con-
templated dismemberment as they must over
that of the Twelfth ward.

But why do Hertz and Lorimer propose
to cut the Sixth in these places? Not to
help the Republican party, but to kill off
one house member who has not been obedi-
ent to the bosses. At present the Sixth
ward and parts of the Ninth, Tenth and
Twenty-eighth make a district which is
decidedly Democratic. The minority
member is Mr. Shanahan, who is now
serving his second term.

Mr. Shanahan has made a good record.
He has been from the start against the
Hampshire bills and other abominable
measures. But he has not been subservient
to Lorimer and Hertz. Therefore,
they propose to dispose of him by putting
the corner of the Sixth ward in which he
lives into a district along with the Sev-
enth and Eighth, one of which will get
the Republican minority member.

Those men, who were defeated in the
legislature early this year when Mason
was elected senator and who defeated the
Republican city ticket last month, should
not be permitted to make the apportion-
ment bill an instrument for the grati-
fication of their revengeful feelings.
They cannot be permitted to frame laws
to punish Republican members and Re-
publican wards because they will not wear
the Lorimer-Hertz collar.

There is always danger of carrying a
good thing to extremes. Many good
things have been spoiled in that way.
There was a legitimate demand for civil
service reform and its application in pos-
itions requiring expert skill which could
be acquired only by practice was for the
benefit of the public service. But when
President Cleveland extended the power
conferred on him by the civil service law
to put 45,000 of his own political appoint-
ees under the classified list regardless of
their qualifications it was carrying a good
thing too far and instead of benefiting
the public service it has not only been an
injury to it but has caused millions of
people to change their minds about civil
service reform. It has shown that it is a
mere sham, when applied outside of pos-
itions requiring expert skill.

Kansas is now stirred up over the ap-
pearance of a snake fifty feet long that is
said to eat entire flocks of geese, coups of
chickens and has even killed a horse; but
it does not occur to the farmers, Kansas
that while he considers the situation of
this reptile in the nation it is calamity
the very Mississippi, the St. Lawrence, the
Larrea and the Laramie have cost the
state of Kansas more than an army of
such serpents, because the people would
hunt the snakes down and kill them, and
while they would be so busy so congress
and other legislators would be busy.

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A CORRESPONDENT.

BY F. C. WILLIAMS.

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Such a snowstorm Lakeview had
never experienced. For two days and
as many nights it had raged contin-
uously. Everything was buried in a
blanket of white several feet deep, ex-
cept the lake. Its glassy surface had
been kept free by the sweep of the
wind; but it had not been very cold,
and except along shore, the ice was
not thick.

Bert Hill lived on the shore of the
lake on the outskirts of Lakeview. He
was a stockily built lad of about 15,
and very fond of outdoor sports. When
out in school he was nearly always
during daylight, rowing, fishing, swim-
ming or skating, as the season per-
mitted. His great ambition was to be-
come a newspaper man. There was a
village paper in Lakeview, the Courier;
but it was only a weekly, and Bert's
ideas ranged above this.

What he had in mind was a place on
the staff of some big city daily. He
felt that if he could only have a start,
he was bound to succeed. The previous
spring he had graduated from the vil-
lage school with honors; during the
summer he had done some odd jobs;
but there was no place for him in Lake-
view which promised promotion in his
chosen line.

It was in the early part of the even-
ing on the second day of the storm that
Bert heard of a bad accident that had
occurred on the railroad line, two miles
out of Lakeview. The express, going
west, had encountered a snowslide in a
gorge and been thrown from the track.
Several people had been killed and
many others seriously hurt. An engine,
which happened to be on a siding at
Lakeview, was at once dispatched to
the place of the disaster with doctors
on board. And now, so he heard, they
were bringing the dead and the injured
into the village on a couple of flat cars.

Bert dashed off to the station. Sure
enough, there they were, the injured
being made as comfortable as possible
at houses nearby, the dead entrusted to
the undertaker's care, while the re-
maining passengers were slowly being
accommodated with shelter and food
by the village folks. Bert was very
much interested, and stood listening
eagerly to the stories told by the pas-
sengers. A stranger was talking to the
telegraph operator.

"Can't you get a word through?" he
was asking.
"Not a word," the operator answered.
"Why, the railroad people would do
anything to send a message to the city,
but the wires are down. The connec-
tion was broken half an hour before
the accident occurred."

"When will it be fixed?"
"Not before morning, at the earliest,
and perhaps not then. It's 40 miles
to the city, and the line runs through
a lot of cuts in which the snow is deep.
We'll be lucky if the wires are working
by noon."

The stranger uttered an exclamation
of anger and disgust. "And there's no
chance of getting a message through
in any other way?"

The operator smiled. "You see the
condition of things," he said. "How
many people do you think would try
driving or tramping through this snow?
Berton is the nearest town, and it's
eight miles away."

The stranger turned away, lit a cigar
and began to smoke savagely. Bert ap-
proached the operator, who smiled
knowingly as the boy came up.

"There, Bert," he said, "there's one
of your profession, and he's in a bad
fix. He has an account of a railroad
accident and he can't get it through to
the city. He's a member of the Globe
staff and was on the train that was
wrecked."

Bert was all excitement at once, and
he regarded the stranger with curiosi-
ty mixed with awe. He felt a great
sympathy for the man, too, and by and
by, plucking up courage, he walked
over and spoke to him.

"It's hard luck you can't get your ac-
count through," he said.

"Yes," answered the other, moodily.
"It's a splendid story. I wouldn't miss
making a scoop on it for \$20. But it
must be in the office by 11:30 to-night, or
the chance is gone."

Bert did not reply, but sat down on
the short bench beside the man and
cudgelled his brains for a way out of
the difficulty. If he could only devise
some plan to help the Globe reporter!
All at once he jumped to his feet. "I'll
take that message for you and tele-
graph it to the city," he said.

The man looked at him keenly. "You
will?" he said. "How?"

"I'll take it down and across the lake
on my skates—or at least I'll try. I
can telegraph it from Pine Bluffs if the
wires to the city aren't down there,
too."

The man slapped him on the back.
"You're a trump, youngster," he ex-
claimed. "I'll have the story ready in
15 minutes. How soon can you start?"

"As soon as I can get home and back.
That will be about half an hour. I'll
take an hour to get to the Bluffs, for
I'll probably have to skate around a
lot of thin ice. It's eight o'clock now.
I'll be in the Bluffs by half-past nine."

"You won't lose by it, if you put the
story through for me," said the Globe
man, emphatically. "I'll wait for you
here."

But Bert thought little of what re-
turn he might get for the task. The
idea that he was enlisted in the ser-
vice of the Globe—the biggest of the
city papers—was reward enough for
him. The thought of the possible dan-
ger ahead never entered his mind,
either. Full of his project, he made his
arrangements and came back without
stopping to explain to anybody, but
when he had received the bundle of
written sheets from the Globe man
and was leaving, a sudden thought
that he could not possibly return till
late made him call to the telegraph
operator to send word to his father
where he had gone.

Final instructions were given him by
the newspaper man, also a card to
show the operator at the Bluffs in
default of money to pay for the tele-
gram. Ten minutes later he had
climbed on his skates and was off.

The breeze blew directly across the
lake from the northeast. It struck him
on his right side, and while it did not
actually impede him, made breathing
no easy task. But the ice was firm and
green and as smooth as it could be, and
he swung along at a smart pace, for
there was not a better skater in Lake-
view. Five miles were covered in short
order. Then he slackened his speed and
began to consider what course he
should adopt.

If he went all the way down the lake
to a point opposite Pine Bluffs and cut
straight across to the town it would be
safest, for he would have thick, smooth
ice for the whole distance; but it would
also take him longer than to strike
diagonally across the lake from where
he then was. The latter plan would
take him over a couple of miles of ice
of which he would not be sure, but he
would thereby save nearly half an hour
of valuable time provided the ice held.

A couple of minutes of debate de-
cided him. The "Globe" needed the
"story," as the man had called it, as
soon as possible. He had undertaken
to see that it got through quickly. He
felt that if a regular member of the
staff of that paper had the matter in
hand he would not weigh his conveni-
ence, or even some danger, against dis-
covering the service speedily.

He swung around, and started out
on a straight course for the town. The
wind was on his back, and if he had
skated fast before, he now was ringing
along at a pace which made his earlier
effort seem slow. In five minutes he
was entirely without the shelter of the
high ground.

The ice was still firm, but almost
transparent under the light which the
moon occasionally gave, as it struggled
from between clouds. It had stopped
snowing, but little whirlwinds of light,
powdery flakes now and then scurried
across his path.

For some reason, which he could not
at first explain, Bert began to grow un-
easy. He strove in vain to drive the
fear from his mind. The ice looked no
thinner; there was no break in it; ap-

"Thank goodness!" ejaculated Bert.
For a moment he had thought of the
awful possibility of being stopped here
after all his work and danger. He un-
buttoned his coat and pulled out the
precious manuscript. "Send that
through to the Globe as fast as you
can, please," he said, handing it to the
operator. "And here's my card."

The operator glanced at the bit of
pasteboard and then looked curiously
at the boy. "Are you one of the Globe
men?" he asked.

"I am to-night," Bert answered
promptly. "I brought that message
across the lake."

The man uttered an ejaculation.
"Well, you newspaper fellows do beat
all."

Soon the message was speeding over
the wires, and to Bert the clicking of
the instrument was the sweetest sort
of music. He leaned on the sill of the
office counter and eagerly listened until
the last word had been transmitted.

Then he suddenly realized that he had
to return that night, and that he should
be starting, for he would have to go
back by the longer way.

As he reached the door of the room
the telegraph instrument again began
to click, and the operator sang out to
him: "Here! Hold on there, Globe;
they're sending a message to you from
the city office." And Bert halted in sur-
prise.

After a minute the operator said:
"They say send 500 words on your trip
across the lake."

"How'd they know anything about
that?" asked Bert, in wonderment.

"It was in your account here at the
end," explained the operator. "Don't
you remember?" Bert did not remem-
ber, but he understood. The Globe
man had added a line explanatory of
how his "story" was to be put on the
wires. For a moment the young aspi-
rant for newspaper honors did not
know just what to do. Here was his
chance, but it was so unexpected that
the surprise of it bewildered him. But
he managed to answer: "All right. Tell
them they shall have it at once."

The experience he had so recently
been through was still vividly clear to
his mind's eye, and he gave it in a
straightforward, simple story. The 500
words were quickly written and dis-
patched, signed with his name. Then



SUDDENLY BACK OF HIM HE HEARD AN OMINOUS CRACK.

parently it was firm and capable of
bearing his weight. But somehow the
"feel" of it told him that he was in
danger. As he swept forward he seemed
to be rising and falling with each long
stroke. He had been on such ice be-
fore. It bent under him in waves, and
he knew that if there had been more
light, by looking over his shoulder he
would have seen it undulating in long
swells, just like the water of the lake
on a calm day.

The ice was too thin to bear his
weight if he stood still for an instant.
The skimming speed of his flight alone
kept him from crashing through it.
Would it grow thinner? If it did there
was little chance of his ever getting
safely to land. He was nearly in the
middle of the lake, and there, presuma-
bly, the ice was weakest. He knew
it was a race for life.

Suddenly, back of him, the panting
boy heard an ominous crack. It did
not need a glance behind to tell him
what had happened. The ice had
broken there, as it rose, released from
his weight. A chill struck through him;
but the fear merely made him increase
his efforts. He knew that he was go-
ing at a tremendous rate, yet it seemed
as if the dangerous space would never
be passed.

But now, through the darkness, the
lights of Pine Bluffs began to twinkle,
only a few miles away. Bert no longer
felt that terrifying rise and fall of the
ice beneath him and skated with new
confidence. Tired though he was, his
speed did not slacken. He had reached
safety at last.

He struck the shore near the steam-
boat wharf, and it was only a min-
ute's work to pull off his skates. Then,
swinging them over his shoulder by a
strap, he waded through the snow to
the path, which had been partially
shoveled clear. Five minutes later he
was at the telegraph office.

"Are the wires working?" he asked,
breathlessly.

"All open," returned the official.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City
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LOCAL NEWS.

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Irwin's catarrh cure is taken internal and cures by purifying the blood.

The condition of J. W. Wiegand continues unchanged. He is still confined to his home on Bradford street.

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

If you are troubled with catarrh, asthma or headache, use the German medicator, a perfect cure. Near 10th St.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—6-cent cigar.

The annual state meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Church of God is in session at the Bolling Springs church.

The leading pianos are the Reed & Son's and Haines Instruments which can be had only at the C. B. Prescott music house. Stop in and see them.

Clayton Clements went off duty last evening as driver of the patrol wagon team, giving place to Officer Peters. Mr. Clements had served less than a year.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedman, fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 323 North Main street. Durfee & Culp. 1-4-d-wit

Gents, now is the time to look up your spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-class style by people who are experts and practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's Steam Dyeing and Dry Cleaning establishment, 145 North Main street.

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Popular Entertainment.

The choir of St. James' German Catholic church will give another one of their popular musical and dramatic entertainments on Tuesday, May 18, at Turner hall, commencing at 8 p. m. Everybody invited. Admission 50 cents.—11d1w

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—jane-3d-wit

The heaviest bell in the world is that at Moscow, Russia, which weighs 432,000 pounds. That in the city hall, New York, weighs 23,300.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 188 East Wood street.—0-d-wit

THE SCORE IN DETAIL.

The figures on the Decatur Victory with the Bloomington Team.

The following is the official score of the whist game between Decatur and Bloomington clubs played at Bloomington Monday night, in which Decatur won—11½ to 6½.

North and South—Decatur.

Johns and Glugston.....238
 Powers and Powers.....218
 Pratt and Davis.....217

Club average.....243½

East and West—Decatur.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

J. L. Thayer went to Chicago today on business.

Miss Hannah Naso is visiting friends at Arcola.

Dr. W. M. Harsha has returned to Chicago after a visit in the city.

Detective B. C. Applegate of the Wash, was at Taylorville yesterday.

Rev. Father Thomas Finn of Rockville, Ill., is visiting friends in the city.

Troy Alexander is in the city from Bloomington visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Alexander.

Judge Shultz, who has been in the city visiting his son, M. W. Shultz, has returned to his home in St. Louis.

Mrs. W. F. Colladay is home from Danville where she has been visiting friends.

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Miss Minnie Butler is again quite sick at her home in La Place. She has been recovering but suffered a relapse.

Rev. Knox B. Taylor, state Sunday school evangelist of the Christian church, is in the city visiting J. E. Patterson and family.

John D. Hankle is still confined to his home on East North street. He is suffering from a low fever which it appears cannot be broken.

D. S. Shellbarger has returned from Salina, Kan. He looks for a pretty good crop of wheat in the west. Corn is worth 15 cents. Farmers refuse to sell at that price.

C. M. Leon and Mark McCamby from Battle Creek, Mich., are visiting their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Leon, on West Macon street.

Springfield Journal: Miss Mamie Malloy, of Decatur, who was in the city for the past two weeks visiting with relatives, has returned home. She was accompanied by her niece, Miss Annie Black, of East Monroe street, who will remain in Decatur for two weeks.

Clifton M. Warner, second son of Congressman Warner, and Miss Maude M. Bishop, daughter of Mrs. K. M. Bishop, were married on Tuesday at Clinton. The groom is the superintendent of the electric light plant at Clinton and the bride is a graduate of the Cincinnati conservatory of music.

THE SCORE IN DETAIL.

The figures on the Decatur Victory with the Bloomington Team.

The following is the official score of the whist game between Decatur and Bloomington clubs played at Bloomington Monday night, in which Decatur won—11½ to 6½.

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The King-Smith Wedding.

Dr. S. J. King, of Illinois, and Miss Ada Smith were united in marriage last evening, May 11, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Rebecca Smith, at the corner of Haworth avenue and West Wood street. Rev. Marion Stevenson performed the ceremony. The couple left last evening for Illinois, their future home.

An Old Citizen.

Berry H. Cassell, one of the pioneer residents of Decatur, is now past 75 years of age, and because of his blindness and other infirmities, is confined to his home, which is the large and imposing building on Cassell's hill, just beyond the Illinois Central railroad at the foot of East Main street. Mr. Cassell is a 33d degree Mason, as are also his two sons, Hilton and Thomas A. Cassell.

The New C. P. Church.

The members of the Cumberland Presbyterian church have not yet made any definite arrangements for the erection of their new church. A part of the money for the church was subscribed last year as it was expected to carry on the work of building this spring, but on account of the hard times and possible difficulty in securing money to carry on the work the building may be postponed. The Sunday school room will probably be erected this summer but it is not likely that the main part of the church will be built.

Surprise for Pastor Bernard.

Last evening the members of the Church of God gave their pastor, Rev. J. Bernard, a farewell surprise, on the eve of his departure for Europe. The company assembled about 8 o'clock. Most of them brought presents, the total value of which was above \$30. George W. Lyon made a speech in which he expressed the regard of the members for Mr. Bernard and wished him a pleasant journey and safe return. Mr. Bernard responded briefly. Others expressed sentiments similar to those uttered by Mr. Lyon. It was a pleasant evening for all of them.

The Methodist Circuit.

Next Sabbath Rev. A. M. Dauley will preach to the old people at the Long Creek church at 10:30 a. m., and at Mt. Zion at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The old folks will have the front seats and will receive special attention from the young people.

On Sunday, May 33, Rev. Dauley will preach a memorial sermon at Elwin at 10:30 in the morning and at Blue Mound chapel at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The old soldiers and their friends are expected to be present. The choir will sing patriotic songs and the memories of the war of the rebellion will be revived again.

Birthday Party.

There was a merry birthday party yesterday afternoon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Loneragan on West Decatur street, given for Bertha Loneragan who is five years of age. There were games and music. Bertha received a number of pretty gifts and she gave bottles of perfume as souvenirs. At 5 o'clock refreshments were served. Those present were Misses Vera and May Beatty, Lellie Westhafer, Ethel Taylor, Lillie Cooper, Luogen Wallace, Maggie Montgomery, Fayette Glazebrook of Kenney, Marie Wilson of Casser and Eddie Beatty, Ed Westhafer, Clifford Ashmore, Robert Montgomery, Guy Taylor, E. and John Lyon, Zink Sanders, Ossin and Connard Wallace.

A Special Service.

The members of the Young Men's Sunday Evening club will hold a special service of special interest next Sunday night at the Congregational church. The subject of "Ideal Education," will be discussed. Superintendent E. A. Gastman will speak on the mental condition, Dr. H. C. Jones on physical education and Rev. W. C. Miller on the spiritual and moral education. The members of the Young Men's Sunday Evening club have charge of the evening services at the Congregational church. This year they have made a point to hold exercises of an interesting nature so that those who do not always attend church may be attracted. As a result of their efforts the services under the auspices of the club have been highly successful and largely attended.

Met at the Home of Mrs. W. H. Starr.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the First M. E. church was held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Starr. There were 76 persons present and tea was served. During the evening a social was held and an excellent program was rendered as follows:

Solo and Reading—Mrs. J. L. Stout. Autoharp Selections—Lula Randall. Solo with Banjo Accompaniment—R. C. Augustine.

Recitation—Myrtle Flint.

Solo—Myra Carmay.

French Cradle Song—Carolyn Lutz.

All of the numbers were warmly applauded and a number were encored. A graphophone concert was also given during the evening.

Prayer Water.

The chemical investigations of the water supplies of Illinois which have been under way at the State University for the last eighteen months will cease at the end of June unless the present legislature makes provisions for their continuance. Since the work was inaugurated, twenty-two hundred different lots of water have been analyzed. Of these, a very large proportion has shown to be contaminated and consequently a menace to health.

A bill which is now before the legislature provides that an appropriation of five thousand dollars per annum be made for the purpose of carrying on the chemical

IT WAS JUST \$100.

That was what "Pinafore" did for the Woman's Relief Corps.

There was a very interesting announcement made yesterday afternoon at the regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps. It was the report of the committee as to the result of the Pinafore opera given at the Grand recently by house singers. The committee stated that the net proceeds of the entertainment were \$100 in cash which was turned into the treasury of the organization. The report was highly gratifying to the members who were unstinted in their praise of those who had the entertainment in charge. The organization is deeply grateful to the public for their liberal patronage. The opera was one of the best home musical treats ever given in the city, and everybody who heard it felt that they had received fully the worth of their money. The affair was well managed throughout, emphasizing in many respects the superior business judgment of the ladies who while they hoped to please the public desired to realize as much cash as they could for the relief fund.

The success of the production was largely due to the personal efforts of Mrs. M. F. Metz and Mrs. T. J. Abel, who devoted weeks of their time to the enterprise.

A Surprise Dinner Party.

The gentlemen who were members of the Merry-Go-Round club gave a handsome entertainment to their wives last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis on West Main street. The club is composed of ten ladies and ten gentlemen who meet at the homes of the different members every two weeks to play cards. The last meeting has been held and the affair last night was a surprise to the ladies of the club. They were invited to the home of Mrs. Will Shellbarger to take dinner but on arriving there the ladies were notified by Mr. Shellbarger that other arrangements had been made and he invited them to go with him on a street car. The ladies then boarded a street car and were taken to Oakland park and on the return trip the car stopped in front of Mr. Curtis' home. Here the ladies found their husbands awaiting them. A handsome dinner was served under the direction of Mrs. F. J. Sedgwick after which the members of the club played seven hand euchre. Flowers were given as prizes which were taken by Mrs. Stadler and Mrs. George Mosier. The entertainment was a pleasant one for the club members. It was arranged entirely by the gentlemen and it was complete in all its details.

Adjudged Insane.

W. T. Masook, of Blue Mound, was at Taylorville yesterday a witness at the inquiry held as to the mental condition of his mother, Mrs. Louise Masook, of Pann, who is 60 years of age. The lady was declared insane. Signs of a mental derangement were first noticed by Mrs. Masook's son about two years ago. At first they were scarcely perceptible but by degrees she grew worse and about five days ago she became violent. She imagines that several persons are following her with the intention of killing her. In attempting to ward off imaginary knife thrusts and blows with clubs she has grown so weak that she can't stand alone. What caused her dementia is not known.

Out on a Trip.

C. F. Mansfield, Julius Raible, Henry Phillips, W. R. Jewell and Kinney Stone, localing committee of the Old Fellows' Old Folks' Home, met at Mattson Tuesday and were shown different sites which the city has to offer on which to locate the home. The following is the order of visitations: Shelbyville, Olney, Clay City, Fairfield, Mount Vernon, Vandalia, Athol, Roodhouse, Whitehall and Monmouth. The committee will visit Decatur and look at the sites we have to offer.

A HEALTHY FAMILY

Will Be the Result.

Hart, Mich.,—Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich. Gents: Please send me \$2.00 worth of Postum by express, enclosed find money order for the same. My family all like it; no more coffee for us. Yours truly, J. A. Collier.

A reliable grocer will never offer a cheap or weak imitation of a genuine original article because he happens to make a little extra profit. But it is well to observe that when genuine Postum Cereal coffee is ordered, that you get Postum and not a spurious imitation offered as "just as good."

Sales of Real Estate.

W. F. Vaughn to Fred Mattox, lot 10 in block 21 in Oakland Place; \$1957.

G. S. Simpson to J. N. Corrington, lots 17, 24, 25, and 1 in block 1 Simpson's addition to Decatur; \$5000.

W. H. Stewart to Mattie McKinnis, 40 feet off the south side lot 10, block 1.

E. B. Durfee's second addition; \$400.

Five land patents in favor of Edwin B. Hale and William Sturgis, cover 200 acres in Macon county were filed for record.

Base Ball.

The Bement High School club and the Decatur H. S. team will play a return game of ball at the Edward street grounds next Saturday afternoon.

A picked nine was whopped last evening by the Linn & Scruggs club 9 to 7. Doonellay and Brandon were the winning battery.

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E. R. Chapman to Present Himself at the Bar of the Senate.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT.

Brig Gen. Forsyth Created Major-General—New Postmaster—Cuban Resolution to Come Up on Thursday.

Washington, May 12.—Senator Allen of Nebraska, presented a resolution requiring E. R. Chapman to present himself at the bar of the senate to purge himself of contempt before clemency can be extended. Mr. Chapman of New York, is the broker who refused to testify before the senate committee inquiring into the alleged speculation in sugar stocks during the pendency of the Wilson tariff bill. He was adjudged guilty of contempt and the supreme court declined to grant a rehearing. It has been stated that he would apply for executive clemency to free him from imprisonment pending. The resolution went over until tomorrow. The Morgan Cuban resolution also went over until tomorrow.

General Forsyth is the present commander of the department of California. The vacant major generalcy to which he has been appointed, was caused by the retirement of General Wheaton. Forsyth, it is expected, will retire within a few days after his confirmation, leaving the way open for the promotion to the major generalcy of some other brigadier general which will probably end with General Brooke permanently in place.

Appointments.

The president today sent to the senate these nominations: Brigadier General James W. Forsyth to be major general. Postmaster, Daniel Gunn at Kilmunby, Ill.

EMPEROR WILLIAM SENDS CASH.

Gives \$2,000 to the Paris Charity Bazaar Committee.

Paris, May 12.—Emperor William of Germany has instructed the German ambassador here, Count von Münster-Ledenburg, to remit the sum of 10,000 francs (\$2,000) to the committee of the charity bazaar, whose work was crippled by the terrible fire of Tuesday, a week ago. It is expected that this sum, in addition to the 937,500 francs (\$187,500) previously received by the committee from an anonymous donor, will enable the work of charity to be carried on as usual. It is stated that certain Orleansais tried to persuade the Duke of Orleans to make the funeral of the Duke d'Aumale the occasion for another sensational return to France, but the duke declined to ask the government permission to attend the funeral.

Chicago, P. M. Dangerously Ill, Washington, May 12.—Charles U. Gordon, postmaster at Chicago, who has been suffering from typhoid at the Arlington hotel, has been taken to Garfield hospital. His temperature has been very high for several days, and Dr. G. L. Magruder who is attending him, has refused to permit anyone to see him. The doctor said last night that while Mr. Gordon's illness was not necessarily dangerous, as it was very severe and would leave him unfit for business for a month.

Mr. Gordon is not a married man, and so far as Perry Heath has been able to learn no members of his immediate family are living. In view of this state of affairs, Mr. Heath has decided to assume the responsibility of having him taken to a hospital. While Mr. Gordon is not unconscious, the high fever from which he suffers has affected his mind to such an extent that he cannot be consulted about his affairs. The purpose of removal is to have Mr. Gordon secure better and more skilled care.

The U. R. Mission Board.

Toledo, Iowa, May 12.—The missionary board of the United Brethren church met at Toledo, Iowa, this morning, Bishop Weaver presiding. Rev. H. Barkmeyer, a delegate from Germany, and J. H. Calkins, a native African convert, were introduced. A committee was appointed to prepare an answer to the letter from the women's board now in session at Lisbon, Iowa. Dr. McKee, treasurer, reported the total receipts for the year, \$50,569.

Rev. L. O. Burtner and wife, returned missionaries from Africa, were introduced. Dr. Bell read his report as corresponding secretary, showing the growth in the fields under the care of the board.

Murderer Executed.

Sonerville, N. J., May 12.—Elmer Clawson, aged 19, was hanged here in the county jail today for shooting his employer, Harry Hodge, a farmer, during a quarrel.

ILLINOIS CROP BULLETIN.

But 520,500 Out of 1,749,000 Acres of Wheat Seeded Not Plowed Up.

Springfield, Ill., May 12.—The following is the crop bulletin issued by the department of agriculture:

The May 1 crop reports received at the department of agriculture on the condition of winter wheat in Illinois corroborate the reports made earlier in the season as to the extent of the damage done by winter-killing and floods to this crop.

In the northern grand division of the state 68 per cent of the area seeded is reported destroyed by these causes, leaving but 18,500 acres for harvest. The worst reports come from central Illinois, where 83 per cent of the area seeded is killed, 141,000 acres being left for harvest. In the southern division 61 per cent was destroyed, or 555,000 acres, leaving 361,000 for harvest.

Taking the state as a whole into consideration, we find that of the 1,749,000 acres seeded to wheat last fall, 1,229,500 acres were either entirely destroyed or so nearly so that they have been plowed up, and the ground will be devoted to other crops. The amount left, 520,500 acres, is the smallest wheat area ever harvested in Illinois.

It is exceedingly difficult to estimate the condition of so uneven a crop as wheat is this spring. The May reports indicate a higher average than did those of March and April. This is due to the fact that at the earlier date the plant had not recovered far enough from the effects of the winter to form a just estimate, but with the warmer days a large area that it was thought was ruined has shown enough promise to be allowed to grow.

In northern Illinois the May 1 condition is reported as 54 per cent of a normal; in central Illinois 48 per cent, and in the southern division 52 per cent, the state average being 51 per cent.

While of similar habit and subject to the same influences as wheat, rye is a harder plant and suffers less from an equal amount of freezing, etc. This season the difference is very marked, but 32 per cent of the rye crop being destroyed, there being 26 per cent destroyed in northern Illinois, 34 per cent in central, and 37 per cent in the southern division of the state. In other words, 37,000 acres were winter killed and 96,500 acres will be harvested.

The May 1 condition of the crop in the northern division of the state is 77 per cent of an average; in central Illinois it is 82 per cent, and in the southern division 74 per cent, the state average being 78 per cent. The amount of old wheat in producers' hands on May 1, 1897, is below the average, although greater than in 1896, there being 3,012,500 bushels reported this year, which is the smallest proportion of the crop ever reported, but 9 per cent.

SUIT AGAINST A DOCTOR.

It is Brought for Damages for an Alleged Criminal Operation.

Taylorville, Ill., May 12.—In the Christian county circuit court Miss Sarah Elmore of Springfield has brought a suit for damages against Dr. John J. Frey and David F. Milligan of this city. The case is brought by a Springfield lawyer and alleges that the defendant, Milligan, seduced the plaintiff under promise of marriage and that Dr. J. J. Frey performed a criminal operation. The plaintiff asks for \$10,000.

The plaintiff is a sister of Mrs. Zack McBride, with whom she was arrested in this city about a year ago and pleaded guilty to street-walking. Milligan, it is claimed, has already received a letter from the plaintiff's attorney wanting to effect a compromise.

ILLINOIS INHERITANCE TAX.

Springfield, Ill., May 12.—The supreme court has decided that the Illinois inheritance tax is valid. The decision was made in the action of County Treasurer Koehrsenberger against the estate of John B. Drake, late proprietor of the Grand Pacific hotel, which was valued at \$2,100,000, and from which Cook county will now receive \$21,000. The inheritance law places in one class parents, husband, wife, child, brother or sister, or husband of the daughter, or children adopted, and upon each of these levies a tax of 1 per cent on any gift or bequest. Estates less than \$50,000 are exempt from the tax. County Judge Carter held that the law was unconstitutional. The chief ground of contention by the defense was that the law provided for a graded instead of for an equal tax. The law was passed in 1895.

Democrats to Squander Their Money. San Francisco, May 12.—Extensive preparations are making to give William J. Bryan an ovation on the occasion of his visit to San Francisco July 7 during his tour on the coast. He will be tendered a banquet at the Adolphus July 5 and will be escorted here in a special train by a number of leading Democrats. He leaves here on the evening of July 8th for Oregon.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

San Francisco, May 12.—A. B. Patrick & Co.'s tannery was burned this morning; loss \$400,000; insurance \$385,000.

The Chester Cup Winner.

Chester, England, May 12.—M. R. Le-

BRITAIN GIVEN A TIP

The Transvaal Government Insists Positively Upon Its Rights.

ANSWER IS EXPLICIT AND DEFIANT

Claims that Arbitration Must Follow if Rights are Denied—Police Chiefs Meet at Pittsburgh for Conference.

London, May 12.—A Cape Town special says the reply of the Transvaal government to the British government, insisting upon the observance of the London convention, is defiant in tone, and insists upon the rights of the Transvaal to demand arbitration of questions in dispute; also upon the right to pass a law on migration law, and asserts that if this right is disputed arbitration is the best means of arriving at a settlement of the question.

Police Chiefs.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 12.—The chiefs of police convention devoted today to a consideration of the Bertillon system of measurement and pledged themselves to use their best efforts to thoroughly test the system of respective cities before petitioning congress on the subject.

LOVE FOUND A WAY.

Romantic Marriage Solemnized at the Kentucky G. A. R. Encampment.

Lexington, Ky., May 12.—Cupid played a part in the G. A. R. encampment here. One of the prettiest closing scenes was the wedding last evening of Miss Mabel Bateman and Charles Allen, of Louisville. The affair was not without its romance. Young Mr. Allen had asked for the hand of Allen Bateman's daughter in marriage, but this wealthy carriage manufacturer refused and the young suitor went disconsolate but true love found a way. Papa Bateman is a veteran of the federal ranks and served in an Ohio regiment. He was delighted when his wife and daughter, who are members of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. A. R., signified their intention of attending the encampment, but he regretted that his business would deprive him of the pleasure of accompanying them. This was a royal opportunity. Young Mr. Allen was informed of the situation by Mamma Bateman and her daughter. He forthwith furnished handsomely a residence in Louisville's swiftest section, while the young lady aided by her mother and a few friends, made preparations for the occasion. Monday Mrs. Bateman and her daughter arrived in Lexington. The noon train today brought Mr. Allen and at 5 o'clock the young couple repaired to the parlors of the Phoenix hotel, where, by Rev. Dr. W. F. V. Bartlett of the First Presbyterian church the ceremony which made them one was performed.

ALLEGED FATAL BLUNDER.

Turks Alleged to Have Been in a Faint Before Larissa Fell.

London, May 12.—The Athens correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says: "The real and only cause of the Greek's retreat to Pharsala was the blunder of one who mistook the retreat of the enemy for a forward movement designed to outflank the Greeks and therefore ordered a hasty retreat. Crown Prince Constantine left Larissa because he believed the exaggerated reports of danger to his forces. 'It is a fact, however, that on the evening of the retreat Edhem Pascha, despairing of breaking the Greek lines, had ordered his army to retire to Ellassona, while the Sultan dispatched a special commissioner to the Greek government. 'The state of the Turkish army at the moment was simply pitiful and terror reigned at Yildiz Kiosk.'"

Important Fight Threatened.

Pharsalos, May 12.—Important fighting is expected here between the Turks and Greeks unless an armistice is immediately agreed upon at Constantinople. On a Hill.

Pharsalos, May 12.—Edhem Pascha has established headquarters on the hill opposite Pharsalos.

The Greek irregulars are raiding parts of Thessaly and irregular Greek bands have attempted to cut the Turkish line of communication with Ellassona.

WEYLER TAKES THE FIELD.

Started from Sancti Spiritus—Spanish Summary of Victories.

Havana, May 12.—Capt. Gen. Weyler has left Sancti Spiritus, Province of Santa Clara, for the field. Before leaving he offered to build a railroad from Ploetas to Sancti Spiritus.

During a number of small skirmishes in the Pozo Lunar district of Santa Clara the troops have captured an insurgent stronghold and have made seventy-one prisoners.

In the fighting which has taken place

baoca River, near Tunas de Zazo. The expedition landed before the Ardilla gun boat. The insurgents took the arms and supplies to the interior. Signs were found on the beach of the landing of heavy guns.

The yellow fever is increasing daily. Spanish soldiers are attacked one after the other. Train loads of sick soldiers are coming into Havana.

Gen. Calixto Ruiz, on entering Lo Reforma, found the insurgent cavalry drawn up in waiting. He charged them and they retired in confusion to the San Fernando Hill, where their ambush was in an ambush. Gen. Ruiz succeeded in seizing the position. According to the official report the insurgent losses were heavy. The Spanish lost Capt. Pina, who was killed, with two soldiers, and had twelve wounded—Capt. Alonzo, Lieut. Monze and ten soldiers.

Lieut. Calixto Ruiz, of the insurgent force, has surrendered at Sancti Spiritus.

CONVENTION AT BELLEVILLE.

About 600 Sabbath School Workers Present—The Work in the State.

Belleville, Ill., May 12.—The thirty-ninth annual meeting of the Illinois State Sunday school association opened at Liederkranz hall Tuesday for a three days' session. By noon upwards of 400 accredited delegates from all parts of Illinois had registered and been assigned to places of free entertainment.

At the afternoon session yesterday W. B. Jacobs, of Chicago, the general secretary, submitted his annual statistical report, of which the following is a summary:

During the year all of the 102 counties of the state held conventions. Sunday schools in state 7924; officers and teachers 93,678; Sunday school scholars 795,808; total membership 789,461; average attendance 534,437; received into church 35,725; amount of missionary collections \$72,650.16.

H. M. Hamill, normal superintendent, reported eighty-five normal classes organized during the year. During the last seven years 1500 normal Sunday school teachers had been graduated.

In the evening a children's meeting was held at the Baptist church, conducted by Miss Mabel Hall of Chicago while the convention, after an open air service, was entertained by W. J. Semelroth of Missouri, and Rev. G. R. Merrill, of Minnesota, with addresses on the topic, "What Our Neighbors are Doing."

STOCK SWALLOWED BY A SNAKE.

Prohibition Kansas Comes to the Front with a Huge Serpent.

Topeka, Kan., May 12.—The farming community around the town of Logan, in Phillips county, is in terror over the discovery of a huge snake that has been committing depredations there for the last few days. It was first seen last Friday on Crystal Creek, and is thought to have ascended this small stream from the Solomon river during the recent freshet. A German farmer made the discovery. After looting twenty pigs he found the trail of the reptile and followed it to the creek, where it disappeared. The next night he lost twenty more pigs and was advised that a neighbor had lost sixty chickens from the same cause. They instituted a search and claim to have seen the snake and shot at it, but it managed to elude them by crawling back to the water.

On Sunday it killed a horse, and the farmers reported the matter to the town people and asked for help in subduing the reptile.

A description has been forwarded here in order to determine the species to which it belongs. It is said to be fifty feet in length, green in color, with white spots on its body. It raises its head to a height of ten feet and makes a very wide track where it crawls on the ground.

The facts in relation to the snake are furnished and vouched for by Bert P. Walker, postmaster at Logan and editor of the Logan Republican.

Horse Sale.

Terre Haute, Ind., May 12.—The opening day of the A. T. Jackson & Co. horse sale was marked by a fair attendance and spirited bidding, particularly from eastern light harness horse fanciers. The big sale of the day was Choral, 2:08½, by C. F. Clay, dam Lady Pepper, to eastern parties, for \$4800; Ole Hutch, 2:11½, by Crit Davis, dam by Davy Crockett, Jr., \$1250.

Another Break in the Burton Levee.

New Orleans, La., May 12.—Another break occurred at the Burton levee at 7:30 this morning. Though a large force is engaged it will take fully twenty-four hours to close the opening which is now thirty feet wide.

BASE BALL.

National League. Chicago 5, Cincinnati 6. Baltimore 6, Washington 3. Cleveland 7, Brooklyn 6. Boston 2, Pittsburgh 0.

Western League.

Columbus 5, Indianapolis 1. Grand Rapids 18, Detroit 7. Milwaukee 9, Kansas City 8.

How They Stand.

Won. Lost. Per cent.

VACCINATION.

Important Decision of the Supreme Court of Illinois on Compulsory Inoculation.

SCHOOL BOARD MANDATE SET ASIDE.

Vaccination Cannot be Made a Condition of the Right of a Child to Attend the Public Schools.

Mount Vernon, Ill., May 12.—The following is a brief synopsis of a very important opinion just led by the supreme court of Illinois:

Lawrence W. Potts et al., school directors of district 8, township 3 north, range 13 west, Lawrence county, appellants, vs. Jim Breen by Michael Breen, his father and next friend, petition for peremptory writ of mandamus and suit for damages in trespass.

Acting under a rule of the Illinois State Board of Health, passed at its January meeting in 1894, the directors made a general order requiring all children who entered the schools in the above district to be first vaccinated. The father of the Breen children absolutely refused to allow his children to be vaccinated and the directors positively refused the Breen children admission to the schools until they complied with the order as to vaccination. The rule was never complied with, and two suits were brought, one a petition for mandamus to compel the directors to admit the children to the schools, and the other an action of trespass to recover damages for the exclusion of the children. The cases were tried together, and the trial court rendered judgment against the directors, and granted a writ of mandamus, and assessed the damages due the plaintiffs at 10. On appeal the Appellate Court affirmed these judgments and appellants brought the suits to the supreme court.

In its opinion the supreme court says, among other things, that the board of health cannot prescribe conditions upon which citizens of the state may exercise rights guaranteed them by public law, and that the privilege of attending public schools is theirs, given every child of proper age and that nowhere is found a provision of law prescribing vaccination as a condition precedent to the exercise of such rights. Whether the legislature has the power to make such a requirement the court does not now inquire, but says it is sufficient to say it has not done so.

The court uses the following emphatic language on the subject: "It is a matter of common knowledge that the number of those who seriously object to vaccination is by no means small and they cannot, except when necessary for the public health, and in conformity to law be denied of their rights to protect themselves and those under their control from an invasion of their liberties by a practically compulsory inoculation of their bodies with a virus of any description, however meritorious it might be."

The judgment of the two lower courts against the directors is affirmed.

Report by Consul General Lee.

Washington, May 12.—During the debate in the senate on the Morgan Cuban resolution yesterday a strong plea was made for its reference to the committee on foreign relations, on the ground that the state department is in possession of recent official information on the Cuban question which it is considered should be consulted before action is taken by the senate.

This information consists in the main a report by Consul General Lee, dated the latter part of April, in which he deals with the general situation, and presents all the facts at his command without making any recommendations as to the policy to be pursued by this government. General Lee states that the insurgents are decreasing in numbers, but that according to the most trustworthy information at hand there are more of them now than when he went to the island. He explains the apparent want of organization by the statement that it is against the Cuban policy to conduct the war after the accepted modern idea on this point. General Lee also dwells upon the condition of affairs in the island.

The document is of a private nature, but while it could not be presented to the senate it is believed that it will be accessible to the committee.

The Morgan resolution went over until today without action.

The president yesterday sent to the senate a report of the secretary of state, containing the state department's translations of the letters, already published, written by General Gomez, of the Cuban army, to President McKinley in March. In the same communication the secretary takes up the report that the Spanish authorities have refused to permit the

THE MARKETS.

This was California day in the wheat pit. The market opened about where it left off last night, but the burst of yesterday's strength was still under the saddle, and the price took the bit in its teeth and jumped. Then it got proud and jumped again; but, you know, "pride goeth before a fall," and the price fell, and went lower than the opening. The trade was good, and the market active. The cables were firmer and higher. Wheat of the coast being firmer and on passage 3d and 6d higher, while Liverpool reported it as 3d higher at the start, and 1½ and 1d higher at the close or spot and ½ and 1d higher at the close for futures. Consols were 113½ for money and account. The reason for the statement that this was California day in the wheat pit, is that the news from that state virtually ruled the market. First there came news of the damage which had been done to wheat in the Pacific coast state by the drought, and the market tied on its wings and soared, but, like its fabled predecessor, it flew too near the sun, and it was melted, and down came the flyer. Instead of the sun causing the downfall it was the rain, for it was on reports of rain from California that the market broke so badly. So, as California put the market up, and then put it down, it is justly entitled to say, "this was California day. The total clearances were somewhat small for Wednesday, being 129,339 bushels of wheat and 5409 barrels of flour, the two together equaling 156,000 bushels of wheat. None of the 26 cars received in Chicago graded. Minn. apples got 147 cars of wheat today and Duluth got 120, a total of 267, against 297 (Minneapolis 153, Duluth 109) weak last year, and 322 (Minneapolis 259, Duluth 163) a year ago.

Corn opened about where it closed, was firm to strong with wheat's strength, and weak with wheat's weakness. Trade fair; market not inactive but featureless. Fifty-eight cars graded. Clearances were 531,245 bushels.

Oats opened a split lower, and acted like corn and wheat. Trade was fair in September, good in July, but there were no features. Thirteen graded.

Provisions opened about where they closed, and were steady to firm with little doing and no features. Range narrow.

Other Quotations.

Chicago, May 12.—Butter weak; creameries 10 and 14½; dairies, 7 and 13; eggs steady at 14½. Poultry, steady; turkeys 7 and 8c, chickens, 7c, ducks, 8c.

Yvette Will Marry.

London, May 12.—A despatch from Paris says that Mlle. Yvette Guilbert, the celebrated café chantant singer, will be married today to Dr. Max Schiller. Dr. Schiller met Yvette in Chicago and he induced her to abandon the vaudeville stage and branch out as a star in the legitimate. Dr. Schiller is a bachelor 39 years old. He was, previous to coming to this country, a practicing physician in Berlin.

Murder of an Officer.

South Bend, Ind., May 12.—Patrolman Oscar Christensen was shot and killed last night by unknown parties while arresting tramps for supposed connection with the recent freight car robbery at Elkhart. Over 100 suspects are under arrest for the murder.

HANDLED HARSHLY BY FATE.

J. W. Morel a Pauper After Owning 35,000 Acres of Land in Mexico. A man who helped to conquer Mexico under Gen. Taylor, who was largely instrumental in the overthrow of Emperor Maximilian, who owned hundreds of thousands of acres and herds of cattle and bands of horses, who for many years lived like a prince, has been sent a pauper and a menacing maniac to the Highland asylum at Los Angeles, Cal. His name is James W. Morel, and his 74 years have been full of adventure and incident.

When the Mexican war broke out he was a lusty youth, and he enlisted in Hayes' Texas rangers. He fought well and won several commissions, and when peace was declared he declined to be a citizen of the country he had helped to conquer, and settled on the coast of the Gulf of California. He married an heiress, who brought him a ranch of 38,000 acres, and he acquired more, until he became one of the largest rancheros of the republic.

Then Maximilian landed. Morel brought out his old saber, gathered his peons and ranch hands into a regiment and presented it to Gen. Ramon Corona, together with a well-filled military chest. He was a 33 in outfitting Gen. Morel, and was credited with organizing and commanding for a time the famous Aztec Legion.

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| 10 doz. Lap Robes, wholesale price \$4.00 doz. Our Salvage Sale price, each..... 25c | 17 1/2 Ladies' Silk Finished Printed Cambric, wholesale price 6c yard. Our sale price, yard..... 5c | 45 pieces Black Figured Faille Crepon, 22c goods. Great Fire Sale price at Gushard's, yard..... 9c |
| 20 doz. Ladies' Silk Finished Lisle Threaded Vests, 45 and 50c values. Only 1c. Our Salvage Sale can you buy this at this price, garment..... 25c | 18 pieces yard wide Percale, beautiful patterns, wholesale price 9c and 10c. Our special price, yard..... 7c | 20 pieces Bicycle Suits, yard..... 7c |
| 12 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 19 pieces finest Scotch Gingham, double fold, fine as silk, wholesale price 9c yard. Our sale price, yard..... 6c | 9 pieces Silk Gingham, regular 50 and 60c values. Fire Sale price at Gushard's, yard..... 18c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 20 pieces Corded Mull, in a regular yard worth up to 25c yard, choice of this lot, yard..... 9c | Lot 1—2,000 yards Swiss Cambric and Hamburg Embroideries, worth 64, 74 and 10c, all at yard..... 4c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 15 pieces Lace Stripe Linen Batiste, never sold under 25c yard, our sale price, yard..... 11c | Lot 2—2,300 yards Swiss Cambric and Hamburg Embroideries, white and colored, worth 10, 12c and 15c, all at yard..... 6c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 25 dozen Men's Good Strong Work Shirts, the kind that sell well usually at 48c. Our Special Sale price, each..... 23c | Lot 3—1,750 yards Embroidery, worth 16, 20 and 25c, all in one lot, choice yard..... 11c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 15 pieces Lamsour Drapery Swives, worth up to 35c yard. Our Fire Sale price, yard..... 17c | Lot 4—2,600 yards Embroidery, Cambric, Swiss and Hamburg, worth 25, 28 and 30c, all in this lot at yard..... 17c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 12 pieces 40-inch Dotted and Figured Curtain Swives, regular 15c quality. Fire sale price, yard..... 9c | 1 lot 11 pieces Half Wool Dress Goods, some single fold, some double fold, worth 12c and 15c yard, all in this lot at yard..... 7c |
| 10 doz. Men's Silver Dollar, 37c. Our Salvaged Shirts, Reinforced Neck and Front, not 30c, but at Gushard's, each..... 22c | 20 pieces 31-inch Organdie Lawn, wholesale price 9c. Salvage Sale price at Gushard's, yard..... 6c | |

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ELLEN OSBORN'S FASHION LETTER.

Spring Dresses and Millinery as Seen on Tennis Green and Grand Stand—Novel Costumes from Paris.

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Paris, May 1.—At the Concours Hippique the race for the Prix des Dames called out many beautiful women in beautiful spring costumes. The Comtesse de Saint-Leger wore a somewhat striking dress of a dull green foulard printed with irregular patterns around the upper part of the skirt so as to give the effect of a short hip apron. This patterned part of the goods was embroidered with threads of gold and cream silk, this raising of the surface adding to the illusion of a separate material. The skirt itself was rather short and rounded at the bottom. The corsage formed a blouse in front, of green mousseline de soie. Opening wide upon this was a close-fitting bodice of the skirt material, trimmed with horizontal bands of green velvet ribbon starting from the shoulder and under-arm seams, stitched down upon the bodice with gold threads and caught with gold and mosaic buttons just over the blouse edges. The close-fitting sleeves were finished with little capes upon the shoulders and were patterned from wrist to elbow with the same way lines appearing on the hip apron. The neck finish was a smart green bow under a collar, and the hat a small flat affair of green straw trimmed with black wings.

Comtesse de Kermartin wore a very summer-like gown of cornflower blue veiling. The skirt just touched the ground. The upper part, round the waist, was made with five rows of gathers taken out of the width of the stuff. The lower part was trimmed with three flounces in front and eight behind, all edged with a moire-ruche to match the veiling. The bodice was of cornflower blue silk covered with a blouse of the veiling, which was embroidered all over with an applique of cream lace and which parted at the waist in front to show the silk foundation. The neck and waist bands were of cream-colored velvet. Silk sleeves, a huge jabot of mousseline de soie and a big picture hat of white straw finished this show gown of the grand stand. The hat had a wide brim and a high crown. The brim was covered above and below with thickly-placed ruchings of blue mousseline de soie. The crown was garlanded with cornflowers and trimmed with white plumes.

Another dress was of shot blue and green taffeta figured with great arabesque designs in line. The skirt was flat in front and at the sides, but there were gathers behind which developed into godets from the hip backwards. The bottom was rounded and just escaped the ground. It was trimmed with five rows of gathered blue satin ribbon about the bottom. The corsage was a blouse of white mousseline de soie falling over a broad belt of blue taffeta coming well up under the arms. Over the shoulders was a pelerine and collar of the skirt material, made in one piece, cut in crenulations and forming a bolero in front and under the arms. The collar extended into epaulettes upon the shoulders, and, like the bolero, was stitched about with gold and silver tinsel embroidery and edged with frills of narrow lace gathered very full. The neckband was of blue taffeta with broad ruches of lace above. The hat was of white lace trimmed with roses. Marquise de Pully appeared in white veiling, the skirt of her dress rather short and sun-plaited. The material was embroidered all over for some distance from the bottom, said distance being greater at the back than in front with garlands of flowers worked in dark blue and gold. The plait of the skirt diminished in size from the bottom until they were lost in the waistband. Under the skirt was a separate skirt of white taffeta which formed a lining. The corsage was a blouse of white taffeta, laid in extremely fine plaits and worn under a jacket of the skirt material. The jacket was half fitting and closed with two enormous mother of pearl buttons. It turned back in front in huge square-cornered revers embroidered like the sleeves in blue and gold designs matching those of the draperies. A dark blue velvet cravat was worn at the neck under a high collar. The hat was a jaunty turban of blue straw trimmed with yellow jonquils.

At the tennis matches in the Bois de Boulogne one sees good play and good gowns. Mme. de la Mar was among the spectators yesterday afternoon in a very fresh toilette of white foulard printed with large pink flowers, with a touch of mauve at regular distances. The skirt was made with three deep sun-plaited flounces, extending from the waist to the ground and diminishing in width downwards. The bottom was rounded and touched the grass. The corsage was an accordion-plaited blouse gathered at the waist and with a yoke of pink taffeta covered with embroidery in quaint patterns worked in white and mauve comet ribbons. The sleeves were plaited from the elbow to the wrist and had lace cuffs. The waist and neckbands were of broad white ribbons. The hat was a Leghorn flat with a soft crown of white satin and a wreath of pink and white daisies.

A dress of green and white taffeta was yet more interesting. It was checked in large bold squares and so cut as to look seamless, the patterns matching all round. The skirt was trimmed at the bottom with a flounce of green taffeta edged with white lace-like embroidery and festooned with openwork insertion. The corsage was a blouse fastening down the left side and closing under a draped scarf of green taffeta edged with lace resembling that on the skirt flounces. The waistband and collar were of draped green taffeta, fastening under rosettes of lace and embroidery. The hat was composed entirely of white eglantine roses and foliage.

Bicycle costumes multiply faster than buttercups in the grass. Those worn by the smart Frenchwomen who ride every morning in the Bois are the trimmest and neatest to be found in any part of the world. Three out of four are cut with bloomers and the fourth is worn by an Englishwoman or American, probably. One of the best suits I have seen lately was of dark green serge, having the seams outlined with white whipcord. A dark

green silk blouse was worn under a trim jacket ending in dark corners at the waist or just above it and turning back at either side in front in large revers faced with white and stitched down with green. A white kid belt with a big buckle fastened the waist. Meeting the bloomers were dark red stockings attached with black, of the same shade as the dark red cravat under the high collar. A soft felt hat completed the outfit with its red band and stiff black quills.

Some very charming evening dresses have been sent out by Paris houses within a few days. A dainty pink frock for a young girl is of rose gauze sun-plaited over a taffeta ground of the same shade. Round the bottom is a delicate running embroidery of leaves and flowers done in pink and gold, and dots of embroidery are scattered at wide intervals here and there over the cobwebby material.

The corsage is a bolero in form, of pink taffeta, elaborately worked with gold thread and pearls. The bolero is closed in front and fastens under the left arm. It is quite short and straight, cut low and square in the neck and loose at the bottom. The décolletage is edged with three tiny lace frills. The short gauze sleeves are fastened with knots of roses on the shoulders. The under bodice is of pink taffeta, nearly hidden by the broad draped belt of pink satin.

A handsome evening dress for a matron is of a heavy black brocaded satin. The front of the skirt is draped with a rich scarf of white lace, which is hung in from the waist at the sides so as to form an apron in front, the ends hanging to the ground from the hip. The close-fitting bodice is draped with lace also.

ELLEN OSBORN.

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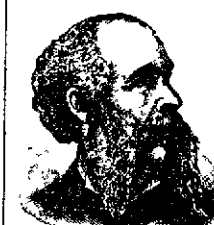
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